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December 22, 2006**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS****1. (Cancelled)**

**2. (Currently amended)** An anti-chicken coccidiosis composition for oral administration comprising an antibody obtained from an egg of a chicken immunized with an ~~antigenic outer membrane protein or an immunogenic fragment thereof~~ a soluble outer membrane protein of 18 to 27 kD from the merozoite of Eimeria acervulina having a common immunogenicity shared among sporozoite and merozoite of Eimeria acervulina, Eimeria tenella and Eimeria maxima which are associated with chicken coccidiosis, and a lactic acid bacterium.

**3. (Previously presented)** A composition according to claim 2 further comprising an antibody obtained from an egg of a chicken immunized with Clostridium perfringens.

**4. (Previously presented)** A composition according to claim 2 which is used for prevention or treatment of chicken coccidiosis.

**5. (Previously presented)** An avian feed comprising the composition according to claim 2.

**6. (Currently amended)** A method for preventing or treating chicken coccidiosis, which comprises orally administering to a bird an antibody obtained from an egg of a chicken immunized with an ~~antigenic outer membrane protein or an immunogenic fragment thereof~~ a soluble outer membrane protein of 18 to 27 kD from the merozoite of Eimeria acervulina having a common immunogenicity shared among sporozoite and merozoite of Eimeria acervulina, Eimeria tenella and Eimeria maxima which are associated with chicken coccidiosis.

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**7. (Previously presented)** The method according to claim 6 wherein the antibody is orally administered in combination with a lactic acid bacterium and/or an antibody obtained from an egg of a chicken immunized with *Clostridium perfringens*.